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1. PRC ATTENDANCE AT THE MONGOLIAN EMBASSY RECEPTION IN PEKING JULY 11 ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE MONGOLIAN PEOPLE'S REVOLUTION WAS AT A LOWER LEVEL THAN THAT OF THE LAST TWO YEARS WHEN FULL-FLEDGED MINISTERS ATTENDED. THIS YEAR HAN HIEN-LUNG, VICE FOREIGN MINISTER, WAS HIGHEST RANKING CHINESE GUEST. THIS FOLLOWS FORMAL AND OFFICIAL TERMINATION LAST MARCH OF PRC AID PROGRAM IN MONGOLIA APPARENTLY AT BEHEST OF THE LATTER (HONG KONG 3066).

2. OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS THERE HAVE BEEN VARIOUS INDICATIONS THAT PEKING WAS ATTEMPTING TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH ULAN BATOR BUT RECENT EVENTS INDICATE THAT NO PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE. PEKING CONTINUES TO TURN THE OTHER CHEEK TO MONGOLIAN VERBAL ATTACKS ON PRC LEADERS AND POLICIES. NCNA, FOR EXAMPLE, ON JULY 4 GAVE A BRIEF STRAIGHTFORWARD ACCOUNT OF THE 8TH SESSION OF THE PEOPLE'S GREAT HURAL OF THE MPR BUT DID NOT MENTION THE ANTI-PRC STATEMENTS MADE AT THE MEETING (WHICH WERE MONITORED BY FBIS). NCNA ALSO REPORTED THE ELECTION OF LUBSANCHULTEM AS CHAIRMAN OF THE GREAT HURAL AND TSEDENBAL AND CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

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